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1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

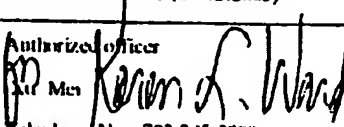
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3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I ☒ Basis of the report
- II ☐ Priority
- III ☐ Non-establishment of report with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV ☐ Lack of unity of invention
- V ☒ Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI ☐ Certain documents cited
- VII ☐ Certain defects in the international application
- VIII ☐ Certain observations on the international application

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V. Reasoned statement under Rule 66.2(a)(ii) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. STATEMENT

Novelty (N)	Claims 1-16	YES
	Claims NONE	NO
Inventive Step (IS)	Claims 1-16	YES
	Claims NONE	NO
Industrial Applicability (IA)	Claims 1-16	YES
	Claims NONE	NO

2. CITATIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

Claims 1-16 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(2)-(3), because the prior art does not teach or fairly suggest a parametric speaker sound emitting device for providing at least one new sonic frequency as a by-product of emitting at least two ultrasonic frequencies from an ultrasonic frequency emitter that including an emitting perimeter of ultrasonic material with an outer radius and an inner radius; and a ratio of (i) a difference between the inner radius and the outer radius of the emitting perimeter to (ii) the outer radius of the emitting perimeter is within a numerical range of 0.1 to 1.0 as construed and recited in claim 1. A sound emitting device for generating one new sonic frequency from an ultrasonic frequency emitter with specific elements and connections as construed and recited in claim 11. A method for enhancing efficiency of a parametric sound emitting device for providing one new sonic frequency with respect to energy based upon emitter surface area of an ultrasonic frequency emitter with specific functional steps as construed and recited in claim 15.

Claims 1-16 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus meet industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.

NEW CITATIONS

NONE